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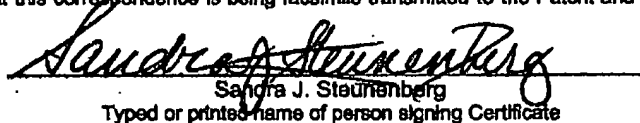
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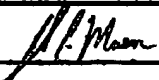
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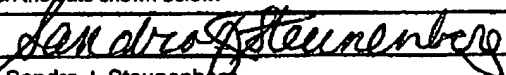
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As set forth in the Office Action mailed April 14, 2005, the Examiner asserts that claims 1-17 (species 1), claims 18-23 (species 2), claims 24-26 (species 3), claims 27-31 (species 4), claims 32-34 (species 5), and claim 35 (species 6) are directed to patentably distinct species of the claimed invention. The Examiner therefore requires Applicants to elect a single disclosed species for examination to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held allowable. In response, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute for examination purposes, the species identified in claims 1-17 (species 1).

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